

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Roland REINER *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/599,980

§371 Date: October 16, 2006

For: **Injectable Crosslinked and
Uncrosslinked Alginates and The Use
Thereof in Medicine and in Cosmetic
Surgery**

Art Unit: To be Assigned

Examiner: To be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 0812.001.US02

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.115 and 1.121

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is being submitted prior to substantive examination on the merits.

It is not believed that any extensions of time are necessary beyond what may be submitted with this communication. If additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to account number 50-3120.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.